

I know as well as every amateur radio operator that our beginning was with morse code , but it should not be our end .If it remains a requirement to have HF privileges we may not have anyone left on these bands in 10 years . Although we should not delete it altogether , keep the morse code and digital modes sub-bands . Technician class and General class should have all privileges on all bands in the amateur spectrum above 50 Mhz . General class with phone privileges below 30 Mhz . Extra class with all privileges on all amateur bands . Technician and General class written test questions should be increased , with no Element 1 requirement . Extra class written tests increased and more theory , also a 12 wpm Element 1 test required .

The future of Amateur radio depends on band utilization , the majority of die-hards that want to keep the morse requirement for HF privileges may not be around in 10 years , but want to keep their HF bands clutter free while they're still here and not worried about the future . Now don't get me wrong but the truth is the truth . I have read a lot of comments on RM-10805 thru RM-10811 and those opposed to the rule changes are not looking to the future , but only the here and now .

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